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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 USC 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application No.	09/142,557
Filing Date	September 11, 1998
First Named Inventor	Linda M. PILARSKI
Group Art Unit	1623
Examiner Name	K. Fonda
Attorney Docket No	205220

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000). 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

**1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other:
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Response to Office Action 03/19/2002 SSANDARA 00000003 09142557 01 FC:179 740.00 03
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Form PTO-1449
- v. ☒ Copies of documents listed in Form PTO-1449 03/19/2002 SSANDARA 00000003 09142557 02 FC:117 920.00 0P
- vi. ☒ Other: Return Receipt Postcard

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103 for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27
- c. ☐ Other:

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The following fees are enclosed:
- i. ☒ RCE fee of \$740.00 (large entity) required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Three-month extension of time fee of \$920.00 (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Suspension of action fee of \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(i))
- iv. ☐ Other:

**TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED** \$1,660.00

- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$1,660.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above fees to Deposit Account No. 12-1216
- d. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the above fees or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 12-1216

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Request For Continued Examination Transmittal

Application No. 09/142,557

Attorney Docket No. 205220

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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Signature		Date	March 13, 2002
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1623

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 205220

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Pilarski

Group Art Unit: 1623

Application No. 09/142,557

Examiner: K. Fonda

Filed: September 11, 1998

For: METHODS FOR CELL MOBILIZATION  
USING IN VIVO TREATMENT  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 13, 2001, please consider the following amendments and remarks. This response is timely since it is accompanied by (a) a Request for Continued Examination (R.C.E.) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and (b) a petition and a fee for a three-month extension of time for filing a response pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓  
Please cancel claims 103, 106-111, 114-126, 130-136, 138, 139, 141, 143, and 144 without prejudice.

✓  
Please add the following new claims:

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171. (New) A method for releasing cells from bone marrow and other tissue sites of a patient into blood of the patient comprising administering to the patient an